Original are not severall Articles therein charged and allowed agt the Journal. priviledges of the people and known laws of this province. Talbott County Levy being not yet Returned shall be layd also before the house when received.

As to the houses taking notice that the said Ord^r was affixed to the Door of their House and on the Sabbath Day, It is observed to them that It was affixed at the Church Door that all persons might have publique notice thereof, and if the said Ord^r was not taken down the last night the fault lyes in the

negligence of some of the Officers.

His Excy is pleased in particular to represent he is sorry to find that the Country is so far engaged and burthened that the house cannot conveniently meet so often to dispatch the necessary busieness impendent upon them by reason of the great Charge p. 26 thereby accrewing, Does therefore propose they would make a Law that either two Delegates might be chose to be sent out of each County to serve, Or that some Ordinance or a Law might pass for the House to appoint two members at a tyme to come out of each County to dispatch the Country's busieness, whereby the Levy's will be eased and the Country not [groan under] that Burthen; for that it is not known how [soon the Assembly may] again meet; by reason his Maty [Royall Commands are not] yet come to hand. And it is further [represented that the] Colony of Virginia which has nigh dowble [the Tythables of this] province have but about the Same Num[ber of Burgesses]

Signd p Order Hen: Denton Cl. Concil:

The which Message being read and considered of, Voted and Resolved Nemine contradicente that the following Message be sent up to his Ex^{cy} the Gov^r & the hon^{ble} his Ma^{tys} Councill

By the house of Burgesses May the 5th 1696.

Upon perusall of that part of the Message of the honble Councill this day brought to the house in Answer to our Message yesterday sent to your board in Relation to the Ord of Councill affixed at the Door of the house of Assembly, We finde the same no ways Satisfactory to our Desire in the said Message Vizt that the said Ord may not stand on the Journall of the honble Councill, therefore humbly presume to press the same again to yo Excy and his Matys honble Councill that it may be taken off otherwise this house will adjourne to some other place, & proceed to no other busieness untill such tyme as We shall receive a Satisfactory answer hereto.

Signed p Ordr W Bladen Cl. Assemb: